

**Table E4. Annual Consumption of Fuels for Electric Generation, 1960-1999**

YEAR	COAL <sup>1</sup> (thousand short tons)	PETROLEUM <sup>1,2</sup> (thousand barrels)	NATURAL GAS (million cubic feet)
1960	186.9	-	341.3
1961	262.5	-	356.2
1962	291.6	1.3	3,712.5
1963	285.5	0.7	3,303.3
1964	293.8	3.6	2,449.5
1965	295.8	0.7	1,992.3
1966	323.5	82.2	2,977.2
1967	325.4	6.1	502.5
1968	399.2	22.9	631.3
1969	576.6	104.9	1,520.5
1970	722.7	26.0	2,529.4
1971	672.0	0.2	1,079.8
1972	768.7	17.5	1,217.4
1973	892.6	152.2	2,167.4
1974	854.6	14.0	1,038.0
1975	1,061.3	62.6	1,073.3
1976	2,373.7	81.1	708.5
1977	3,196.7	195.3	953.3
1978	3,184.2	98.1	909.4
1979	3,461.4	146.5	2,320.4
1980	3,351.6	58.6	4,182.1
1981	3,337.9	38.5	2,069.4
1982	2,595.8	30.6	337.0
1983	2,356.0	31.0	335.0
1984	5,113.0	78.0	360.0
1985	5,480.0	38.0	468.0
1986	7,438.0	25.0	407.0
1987	7,530.0	44.0	478.0
1988	10,410.0	63.0	286.0
1989	10,208.0	60.0	336.0
1990	9,399.0	63.0	418.0
1991	10,223.0	41.0	268.0
1992	10,768.0	35.0	220.0
1993	8,869.0	48.0	270.0
1994	10,513.0	42.0	632.0
1995	9,373.0	53.0	388.0
1996	7,897.0	41.0	470.0
1997	9,286.0	39.0	420.0
1998	10,627.0	33.0	522.0
1999 <sup>3</sup>	10,604.9	30.7	306.9

<sup>1</sup> Data series does not include generation from 41.5 MW plant near Colstrip. The Montana 1 plant came on line in 1990. In 1999, it burned 270,000 tons of waste coal.

<sup>2</sup> Includes propane but does not include petroleum coke. A 65 MW plant using primarily petroleum coke has been in operation in Billings since 1995.

<sup>3</sup> Montana Power Company transferred most of its generating plants in mid-December 1999 to PPL Montana, a non-utility. Data for 1999 include utility and non-utility consumption at these plants.

**Sources:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Form 4 News Releases (1960-76); U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, *Electric Power Statistics*, EIA-0034 (1977-78); U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, *Power Production, Fuel Consumption and Installed Capacity*, EIA-0049 (1979); U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, *Electric Power Annual*, EIA-0348 (1980-89); U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, *Electric Power Monthly*, March 1992, EIA-0226 (1990-91), U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, *Electric Power Annual*, EIA-0348 (1992-99); U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Form 860B, 900 and 906 databases, <http://www.eia.doe.gov/cneaf/electricity/page/data.html> (1999).